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AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Remarks

1. This AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION is in response to the Office Action mailed 9/2/02004.
2. A petition for a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action, and a small entity fee of \$510 is enclosed.

Drawings

3. FIG. 1 has been designated as prior art.
4. The figures have been renumbered to be consecutive by changing the numbers of FIGs 6A-6E to FIGs 2-6. Corresponding changes have been made in the summary of drawings and in the specification. No new material has been added.
5. Applicant notes that drawings 12 and 13 are informal, and will correct those drawings in the event that the application is allowed.
6. Claims amendments and arguments are presented below.

Claim Objections

7. Claims 26, 31 and 36 have been amended to substitute the term "filter" for the term "filtering".

§112 Rejections

8. Claims 31 and 36 have been clarified to reference a filter.

9. Claims 32-34 have been amended to reference the filter system of claim 24.
10. Claims 37-39 have been amended to reference the filter of claim 35.

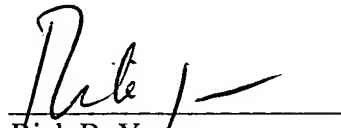
Double Patenting

11. A terminal disclaimer is enclosed.

Thank you for your continued assistance in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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